

Friday, October 7, 2011

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, page S6357*

Senate met at 12:00:26 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 12:00:58 p.m. until 2 p.m., on Tuesday, October 11, 2011.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 2 public bills, H.R. 3143–3144 were introduced. **Page H6676**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H6676**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Rooney to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6675**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Andrew Walton, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington DC. **Page H6675**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

### Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

ment the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, and the nominations of Michael W. Punke, of Montana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the Rank of Ambassador, and Islam A. Siddiqui, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, both of the Executive Office of the President, Paul Piquado, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and David S. Johanson, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission, 4 p.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine labor-management forums in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 10 through October 15, 2011

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Jane Margaret Triche-Milazzo, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, to be followed by a vote on passage of S. 1619, Currency Exchange Rate Oversight Reform Act, and a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2011

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to consider S. 1641, to implement the United States-Columbia Trade Promotion Agreement, S. 1642, to implement the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement, S. 1643, to imple-

the motion to proceed to S. 1660, American Jobs Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations* October 12, Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the Federal role in disaster recovery and response, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: October 13, to hold hearings to examine addressing potential threats from Iran, focusing on Administration perspectives on implementing new economic sanctions one year later, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*: October 12, to hold hearings to examine universal service reform, focusing on bringing broadband to all Americans, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: October 13, Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy, to hold hearings to examine innovative practices to create jobs and reduce pollution, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance*: October 11, business meeting to consider S. 1641, to implement the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement, S. 1642, to implement the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement, S. 1643, to implement the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, and the nominations of Michael W. Punke, of Montana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the Rank of Ambassador, and Islam A. Siddiqui, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, both of the Executive Office of the President, Paul Piquado, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and David S. Johanson, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission, 4 p.m., SD-215.

October 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on capital investment and manufacturing, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: October 12, business meeting to consider the nominations of Joyce A. Barr, of Washington, to be Assistant Secretary for Administration, Robert A. Mandell, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, Thomas Charles Krajeski, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain, Dan W. Mozena, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and Michael A. Hammer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, all of the Department of State, Anne Terman Wedner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Katherine M. Gehl, of Wisconsin, and Terry Lewis, of Michigan, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Russ Carnahan, of Missouri, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-sixth session of the General As-

sembly of the United Nations, and Ann Marie Buerkle, of New York, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and routine lists in the Foreign Service; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of Michael Anthony McFaul, of California, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Department of State, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions*: October 12, to hold hearings to examine the state of chronic disease prevention, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs*: October 11, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine labor-management forums in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

October 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine ten years after 9/11, focusing on a status report on information sharing, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs*: October 13, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Carcieri crisis, focusing on the ripple effect on jobs, economic development and public safety in native communities, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary*: October 13, business meeting to consider S. 1301, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 to 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in person, H.R. 368, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, S. 1636, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, H.R. 394, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, S. 1637, to clarify appeal time limits in civil actions to which United States officers or employees are parties, H.R. 2633, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the time limits for appeals in civil cases to which United States officers or employees are parties, S. 1014, to provide for additional Federal district judgeships, and the nominations of Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, John M. Gerrard, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, Mary Elizabeth Phillips, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, Thomas Owen Rice, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, David Nuffer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Steven R. Frank, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Martin J. Pane, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and David Blake Webb, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine arbitration, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship*: October 12, business meeting to consider the nomination of Winslow Lorenzo Sargeant, of Wisconsin, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* October 13, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* October 12, to hold hearings to examine finding consensus in the Medicare reform debate, 2 p.m., SD-562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture:* October 12, full Committee, hearing to review legislative proposals amending Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services:* October 12, full Committee, hearing entitled “The Future of National Defense and the U.S. Military Ten Years After 9/11: Perspectives of Former Chairmen of the Committee on Armed Services.” 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on National Guard and Reserve component acquisition and modernization, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

October 13, full Committee, hearing entitled “The Future of National Defense and the U.S. Military Ten Years After 9/11: Perspectives of Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Martin Dempsey.” 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing on an update on KC-46A and legacy aerial refueling aircraft programs, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

October 14, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Nuclear Weapons Modernization in Russia and China: Understanding Impacts to the United States.” 11:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* October 12, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3094, the “Workforce Democracy and Fairness Act.” 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Regulations, Costs, and Uncertainty in Employer Provided Health Care.” 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* October 12, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade; and the Subcommittee on Health, joint hearing entitled “Food Marketing: Can ‘Voluntary’ Government Restrictions Improve Children’s Health?” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Cutting EPA Spending.” 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled “Understanding Consumer Attitudes About Privacy.” 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

October 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on H.R. 1633, the “Farm Dust Regulation Prevention Act of 2011.” 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services:* October 12, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy, markup to consider the discussion draft “The Supporting Economic and National Security by Maintaining U.S. Leadership in Multilateral Development Banks Act.” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Home Loan Bank System.” 1 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “H.R. 1418, the ‘Small Business Lending Enhancement Act of 2011.’” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “The U.S. Housing Finance System in the Global Context: Structure, Capital Sources, and Housing Dynamics.” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “The Section 8 Savings Act of 2011: Proposals to Promote Economic Independence for Assisted Families.” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 14, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Bring Certainty to the Over-the-Counter Derivatives Market.” 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* October 12, Subcommittee on Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled “Narcoterrorism and the Long Reach of U.S. Law Enforcement.” 12:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 13, full Committee, hearing entitled “Emerging Threats and Security in the Western Hemisphere: Next Steps for U.S. Policy.” 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security:* October 12, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 3116, the “Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012.” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

October 13, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “TSA Reform: Exploring Innovations in Technology Procurement to Stimulate Job Growth, Part II.” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

October 14, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled “A Call to Action: Narco-Terrorism’s Threat to the Southern U.S. Border.” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration:* October 13, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing entitled “Federal Election Commission: Reviewing Policies, Processes and Procedures.” 3 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* October 11, Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1996, the “Government Litigation Savings Act.” 3:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Crimes, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Uncertain Justice: The Status of Federal Sentencing and the U.S. Sentencing Commission Six Years after U.S. v. Booker.” 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Immigration, hearing entitled “U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement: Priorities and the Rule of Law.” 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 13, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 2870, the “Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2011”; H.R. 1254, the “Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2011”; H.R. 10, the “Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2011”; H.R. 822, the “National

Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011”; and H.R. 3012, the “Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act”.

October 14, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 2471, to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer’s informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet; H.R. 2870, the “Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2011”; H.R. 1254, the “Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2011”; H.R. 10, the “Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2011”; H.R. 822, the “National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011”; and H.R. 3012, the “Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act”. 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* October 12, full Committee, hearing entitled “One Year after President Obama’s Gulf of Mexico 6-Month Moratorium Officially Lifted: Examining the Lingering Impacts on Jobs, Energy Production and Local Economies.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 13, full Committee, hearing entitled “BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 14, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing entitled “Payments in Lieu of Taxes.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* October 12, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, hearing entitled “Status Report on the Transition to a Civilian-Led Mission in Iraq.” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending, hearing entitled “Running on Empty: How the Obama Administration’s Green Energy Gamble Will Impact Small Business and Consumers.” 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules:* October 12, full Committee, hearing on the following: H.R. 2273, the “Coal Residuals

Reuse and Management Act”; and H.R. 358 the “Protect Life Act.” 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* October 12, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing entitled “What Makes for Successful K-12 STEM Education: A Closer Look at Effective STEM Education Approaches.” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 12, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing entitled “The International Space Station: Lessons from the Soyuz Rocket Failure and Return to Flight.” 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled “The Endangered Species Act: Reviewing the Nexus of Science and Policy.” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “Advancing Coal Research and Development for a Secure Energy Future.” 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business:* October 12, full Committee, hearing entitled “LightSquared: The Impact to Small Business GPS Users.” 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* October 12, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled “National Infrastructure Bank: More Bureaucracy and More Red Tape.” 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

October 13, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Streamlining Emergency Management: Improving Preparedness, Response, and Cutting Costs.” 8:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* October 12, full Committee, hearing entitled “Failures at Miami VAMC: Window to a National Problem.” 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* October 11, full Committee, hearing on ongoing intelligence activities, 4 p.m., HVC-304.